

LEGISLATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

September 27, 2004

A meeting of the Chippewa County Board of Commissioners' Legislation and Natural Resources Committee was held on Monday, September 27, 2004 at the Chippewa County Courthouse in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. County Board Commissioner Richard Timmer called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. with a quorum present.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Richard Timmer, Chairman, Rita Dale and Earl Kay

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Tim Dolehanty, County Controller, Dr. James Terrian, Health Officer / Medical Director, Linda Hoath, Richard Rathke, Jim Hendricks, and 17 Others

Approval of the Agenda

Chairman Timmer called for changes to the agenda. No changes were offered.

It was moved by Commissioner Dale, seconded by Chairman Kay, to approve the agenda as presented. On a voice vote, the motion was CARRIED.

Public Comments

No public comments were offered.

Correspondence and Information Items

No correspondences or information items were presented.

Agenda Item: Clean Indoor Air Ordinance

Chairman Timmer opened the floor to those who wished to address the Clean Indoor Air Ordinance.

Richard Rathke stated he and many other hotel/motel owners would like the County to strike the ordinance text that places limitations on the number of smoking rooms made available to the public. He stated the limitation would result in a loss of income for hotel and motel owners. A number of speakers restated the same points.

Dr. James Terrian, Health Officer / Medical Director, spoke in favor of the current ordinance text. He offered statistics related to smoking and the effect of second-hand smoke on non-smokers.

Jim Hendricks, Director of the Sault Ste. Marie Economic Development Commission, expressed concerns about the impact the ordinance will have on manufacturers.

Commissioner Dale stated there are plenty of non-smoking rooms available in the County, and that hotel/motel owners have adequately policed themselves to address the issue.

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It was moved by Commissioner Dale, seconded by Commissioner Kay, to recommend that the Board of Commissioners strike the ordinance text that places limitations on the number of smoking rooms made available to the public. On a voice vote, the motion was CARRIED.

Commissioner Kay suggested that manufacturing facilities be added to the list of buildings exempt from the provisions of the ordinance.

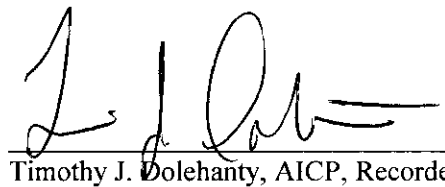
It was moved by Commissioner Kay, seconded by Commissioner Dale, to recommend adding manufacturing facilities to the list of buildings exempt from the provisions of the ordinance. On a voice vote, the motion was CARRIED.

Commissioner Kay confirmed the need for a public hearing to be scheduled if the Board of Commissioners agrees to the recommended changes.

Adjourn

It was moved by Commissioner Kay, seconded by Commissioner Dale, to adjourn the meeting. On a voice vote, the motion was CARRIED.

Chairman Timmer declared the meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.


Timothy J. Dolehanty, AICP, Recorder
Richard Timmer, Committee Chairman



**CHIPPEWA COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
LEGISLATIVE AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

Richard Timmer, Chairman

NOTICE OF MEETING

The Chippewa County Board of Commissioners Legislative and Natural Resources Committee
will hold a meeting on Monday, September 27, 2004 beginning at 5:00 p.m.
at the Chippewa County Courthouse in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan

TENTATIVE AGENDA

- A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**
- B. ADDITIONS / DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA**
- C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**
- D. PUBLIC COMMENTS**
- E. INFORMATION ITEMS**
- F. AGENDA ITEMS**
 - 1. Indoor Air Ordinance
 - 2. Other
- G. COMMITTEE COMMENTS**
- H. CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS**
- I. ADJOURN**